EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 67 EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR DAMAGE CAUSED BY HURRICANES CHARLEY AND FRANCES

WHEREAS, the Governor of Florida has proclaimed that a State of Emergency and State of Disaster exists in Florida due to Hurricanes Charley and Frances and thereby, has requested that States, through which property carrying vehicles regulated by size and weight laws, allow exemptions of said laws when vehicles traveling through such states are bearing equipment and supplies to provide relief to the disaster stricken areas in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of N.C.G.S. §§ 166A-4 and 166A-6(c)(3), the Governor of North Carolina, with the concurrence of the Council of State, may regulate and control the flow of vehicular traffic and the operation of transportation services; and

WHEREAS, with the concurrence of the Council of State, I have found that vehicles bearing equipment and supplies to relieve Florida's grief stricken areas must adhere to the registration requirements of N.C.G.S. § 20-86.1 and N.C.G.S. § 20-382, fuel tax requirements of N.C.G.S. § 105-449.47, and the size and weight requirements of N.C.G.S. § 20-116 and N.C.G.S. § 20-118; I have further found that citizens in that state will likely suffer losses and, therefore suffer an imminent threat of widespread damage.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of North Carolina, and with the concurrence of the Council of State, IT IS ORDERED:

Section 1. The Department of Crime Control & Public Safety in conjunction with the N.C. Department of Transportation shall waive certain size and weight restrictions and penalties therefore arising under N.C.G.S. § 20-116 and N.C.G.S. § 20-118, and certain registration requirements and penalties therefore arising under N.C.G.S. §§ 20-86.1, 20-119, 20-382, 105-449.47, 105-449.49, for the vehicles transporting equipment and supplies along North Carolina Interstate roadways, en route to Florida's grief stricken areas.